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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Please include my comments in the public record for the District Court to consider for the Microsoft Settlement.

I support the settlement as is. I oppose government/judicial action that interferes with free-market trade. Those businesses suing Microsoft are taking advantage of the political system to compensate for their failure to perform in the free market system.

I am not an employee of Microsoft. I own no Microsoft stock directly (but probably some through Mutual Fund investments).